



BEARFACTS 1995 – 2005

McDowell , West Virginia [54047]

McDowell is one of 55 counties in West Virginia. It is not part of a Metropolitan Area. Its 2005 population of 23,794 ranked 29th in the state.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 2005 McDowell had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$18,136. This PCPI ranked 53rd in the state and was 68 percent of the state average, \$26,523, and 52 percent of the national average, \$34,757. The 2005 PCPI reflected an increase of 5.5 percent from 2004. The 2004-2005 state change was 4.8 percent and the national change was 4.9 percent. In 1995 the PCPI of McDowell was \$12,281 and ranked 52nd in the state. The 1995-2005 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 4.0 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.1 percent and for the nation was 4.2 percent.

TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 2005 McDowell had a total personal income (TPI) of \$431,539*. This TPI ranked 32nd in the state and accounted for 0.9 percent of the state total. In 1995 the TPI of McDowell was \$384,859* and ranked 28th in the state. The 2005 TPI reflected an increase of 3.1 percent from 2004. The 2004-2005 state change was 4.8 percent and the national change was 5.9 percent. The 1995-2005 average annual growth rate of TPI was 1.2 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.0 percent and for the nation was 5.3 percent.

COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of McDowell. In 2005 net earnings accounted for 40.8 percent of TPI (compared with 38.5 in 1995); dividends, interest, and rent were 8.7 percent (compared with 14.8 in 1995); and personal current transfer receipts were 50.5 percent (compared with 46.7 in 1995). From 2004 to 2005 net earnings increased 8.5 percent; dividends, interest, and rent decreased 11.8 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 2.0 percent. From 1995 to 2005 net earnings increased on average 1.7 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent decreased on average 4.0 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 1.9 percent.

EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in McDowell increased from \$208,503* in 2004 to \$227,092* in 2005, an increase of 8.9 percent. The 2004-2005 state change was 5.4 percent and the national change was 5.4 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1995 estimate of \$188,359* to the 2005 estimate was 1.9 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.0 percent and for the nation was 5.5 percent.

**Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.*

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